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I sprang afar from the reck's dark breast, And coward flow, without baste or rest, O'er flow'ry mead, 'neath mountain cre.t,

In the skies above bright forms I see, Anon dark shadows only flee, All called by the voice that called unto me! Down through my depths the sweet thought plays,
Bearing me onward thro' nights, thro' days;
"Tis the voice of God that ealis me always,
—A. K. McClure, Pulladelphia Times.

A Farewell. And so we cast aside our cherished friend-

ship, And so I cease to call you even friend, And so I bury from all sight and hearing The memory of this friendship and its end. Without a shadow of regretful passion, Without lament, with heart still glad and strong, I give you back the treasure that you gave The fewel that I valued well and long.

If you have caused me pain, you are forgiven;
If you have grieved me it is over now;
If1 have found you fickle and fa sc-hearted,
You will forget—no grief need cloud your
here. We will do noble work, the not together, And when, some time, mendwell upon your

fame, And pay just tribute to your worth and wis-I shall rejoice at mention of your name, And when I hear how men have been made better, Because your life has been for God and truth, I shall remember how we met and parted, And I will say: "I knew him in my youth."

Ah, well, it is not strange you should grow weary; It is not strange we both should wish to part; But, now 'tis over, I reveal my secret— 'Tis this: I loved you—loved you from my heart.
—Mary G, Crocker, in the Continent.

#### MY WEE ENEMY.

Overhead are the branches of a cotonwood, and lying with my head on he saddle I lazily puff my pipe and watch the motions of a jaybird hopping from limb to limb and acting meerly even for a jay. A July day-a warm sun-an out-

look for miles and miles across a prairie as level as a table. Down in the dip o the right the horses are feeding; on the other side of the grove, at the spring, the men are cooking, mending, and cleaning their weapons. It is a lazy, dreamy, languid hour. It is an exertion to even puff at the pipe.

It was the jaybird who called out to me. He was on a branch directly overhead, and with neck so far outstretched that he is almost off his balance, he is looking me straight in the eye, I've seen jaybirds by the thousand, but I never heard of one talking before.
"You called: 'Say! Say!' Well, say

"What's that?" he called as he whirled himself about on the limb and looked down upon the prairie. "What's what? Perhaps it's a coyote skulking through the grass to have food. What sort of a jaybird are you that you have never seen a covote be-He looked down upon me in deep dis-

gust, turning his head from side to

side, and finally demanded: "Say, are you awake?" "Of course I am! Where are your eyes that you can't see that mine are wide open? "Say! say! say!" he shouted as he hopped around as though terribly ex-

"Say yourself! If you don't stop this nonsense I will get up and fling a club at you!" "You will, eh! you will, eh!"

"Yes, I will. The idea of a hop-o'my-thumb like you bothering around here and keeping me out of a nap is a little too steep. Come, be off with 'Say!" he called in a lower voice, as

coming! He's crawling from that heap of rocks straight towards you!"
"Bosh! A coyote would be frightened by the cry of a child."
"A c-o-y-o-t-e," he drawled in tones
of disgust, "who said it was a coyote?

You seem to have coyote on the brain.

·Worse! "Come, now, don't tell me it is a grizzly! Such a brute was never seen "Worse! worse!" he shricked as he fluttered his wings and hopped

"A Sioux warrior creeping up to scalp me? Ha! ha!" "Worse than that!" he solemnly answered as he dropped to the very lowerawling towards you! He's close to destination, and the sergeant in charge that stump at your left! Spring to our feet and rush away!'

"Hold on a minute and let me see, Certainly there are serpents on the prairie, but they go their own way uness disturbed.' "There! there! there!"

I can see without turning my head. Between me and the stump, and not three paces away, a rattler throws himself into a coil at the jay's shrill voice. flower bending before the summer breeze, and the r-r-r-r of his rattle sounds like pouring buck shot into a tin pan. I can see the neck putil and swell-the fiery tongue dart out and is -the tiny coals of fire placed in his

"Jump! jump! jump!" screams the jay.
I'll wait! It's a horrid sight, yet there is something strangely pleasing in it. Artists picture death as a grim and fleshless skeleton, clutching at our throats with bony fingers. Why not have the head of a rattlesnake? hind that tongue are fangs filled with a quick and terrible death.

"Too late! too late!" calls the jaybird as he flies higher. Yes, the snake has straightened out and is crawling nearer. Before I could leap up he would coil and spring, and that spring would strike those terrible fangs into my flesh.

"Lie still, whispers the bird. Yes. The pipe had dropped to the rrass, the sun seemed warmer, and the our had more languer than before. I can hear the men laughing and singing and now and then there is a neigh from one of the horses. Lie still! Why, if one were to offer me all the gold ever mined in California I would not make a movement of my arm to break this dreamy, peaceful spell. "He's right beside you!" says the

man who has a lock of hair cut from his head by a bullet tells of his narrow escape from death. The man who feels a prairie rattlesnake crawling between his outstretched arm and side never lives to relate it." "Shut your eyes."
I can not. If I knew they were to gaze upon all the horrors of a veritable hell I could not close them. They are wide open as that terrible head rises

pared to the flash of a diamond! Here, as I look square in his eyes, I see such anger and hate and vindictiveness as no

eve of man or beast ever betrayed. But there is nothing to make the lood thrill and the nerves jump-nothing to make the heart stand still. the contrary it is a picture which interests and pleases. There is a grim satisfaction in even looking into the eyes of death.

"Hip! Hip! You are fascinated!" Nonsense! Am I not looking straight into the reptile's eyes and noting every changing gleam and glance? Don't I follow every dart of that forked tongue every motion of that horrible head? I know I could spring up, but I won't. I'll wait and see if he'll strike me. Death! Pooh! I will simply close my eves after his bite-a dreamy stupor will follow-the men will search for me by and by, and-but that's all. Their asternation and astonishment will be orimly humorous. "I'm going! going! going!" eries the

Well, go! I'm glad of it! Your chatter distracts my mind from the picture. The serpent doesn't strike. He is near enough, but he hesitates. Perhaps there are cowards among serpents, as well as braggarts among men. Yes, I call him a coward as I gaze straight into his eyes. I have those horrible fangs right before me, but I dare and To and fro weaves the head-in and

out darts the little streak of flameglitter and gleam and glint the eyes which look into mine! Peace! Contentment-rest! I will sleep. "I did it! I did it!" screamed the "Did what?"

The snake heard him coming and crept swiftly away. You are saved. I did "But no thanks to you. Human being would never have died more wil-

"Brought one of your companions!

lingly and peacefully. "I'm glad! I'm glad!" "And I'm sorry! If you were not a wee, contemptible enemy, I'd take re-

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It is best not to cover the books of library with paper. As Mr. Wm. F. Poole puts it: "The covering is expensive, troublesome and quite as much an injury as a protection to a book. A book covered with paper is likely need rebinding sooner than if it be not covered. A room full of books covered with paper is dull and monotonous and no one who has ever glanced into such a room will be inclined to disagree with Mr. Poole when he says that books lose their individuality by being covered." This is only an aesthetic fisadvantage; it also reduces the usefulness of the books, as they are less easily handled and kept apart and in order. - Ex.

A High Marriage. Some time in 1881 two ladies and two gentlemen, all hailing from Boston, arrived at the Manitou House, Colorado, and engaged Rev. J. E. Smith to go with them next day to the summit of Pike's Peak, and there unite Mr. Dutton and Miss Nellie Throcmorton in wedlock. At 6 in the morning the party mounted on bronchos, started from the hotel, but had not got far on the way before the animal the minister bestrode rid himself of his burden by pitching his rider over a bridge ino the river beneath. He was quickly rought to land, but was not to be induced to risk his neck again. It was then arranged that he should make for the telegraph office at Colorado Springs, and do his splicing by wire. By noon the wedding party had reached their of the signal station there at once tele graphed their arrival to the reverend gentleman, waiting 10,000 feet below. The young people joined hands and stood before the sergeant, the father and mother of the bride standing on either side, and the sergeant at the strument read the questions of the clergyman as they came thrilling through ie wires, and sent back the answers of bride and bridegroom, until up from the valley to that small stone keep, 14,-000 feet above the ocean, came that essage making two hearts one: Then I pronounce you man and wife. -All the Year Round.

### What a Frenchman Knows.

In America women dress to a great legree for other women, fearing their criticism, and glorying, the best of success. But our men, as a rule take either no notice at all of how a woman is dressed, or else has a very vague dea, knowing whether she looks well toute ensemble, but making the most ridiculous mistakes about colors and forms, hardly knowing the difference between green and blue, or basque and The Frenchman, on the contrary, not only can tell the difference, but knows the exact intrinsi value of each article of apparel, its place and usage, going with his wife to help her make purchases, even to household articles. They take the greatest interest in household affairs and are really effective help, as they are, great and small, noble and boureois, born with perfect taste. I think that the busy business-like men of America would do well to copy to some extent this French peculiarity, for it would not make them any the less manly, but on the contrary improve of jealousy is a surer appreciation, and them, refining their tastes and ideas. This is a wonderful and an admirable Yes, I can feel and hear him, and the people, gifted with a brilliancy of conversation which shows itself in their ordinary conversation. I have been as- which we believe to be very noble ones stonished at the refined eloquence of are only very base ones; for example, even the common people, so different our disposition to forget injuries and from the ungrammatical jargon of the not to pardon them. same class in the Angle-Saxon races .--Cor. Louisville Courier-Journal.

In rehearing the many advantages for Manitoba for immigrants, a Canadian paper gives these statistics: The average yield per acre of wheat in slowly up within a foot of my face. I Manitoba during the past five years was over 29 bushels; bariey, 37 bushels; said the eyes rather resembled coals of fire. What is the glow of a coal comoats, 54 bushels; potatoes, 280 bushels,

A Family of Asinary Genus.

Nor must we forget that if there are women who strive to unsex themselves by becoming too masculine, so there are men who most effectually unsex themselves by a general emasculation of dress and manner which would readily strike a stranger from another planet as representing a transition period between the sexes. If a manish woman offends our good taste and judgment, a womanish man is an insipid embodiment of nothingness, and ought to be treated as a zoological curiosity representing some hitherto unknown family of the asinary genus. From these considerations it therefore follows that if there are female oddities who furnish the weapons of satire to those who are opposed to the advancement of women, there are also masculine oddities who show how closely a man can sometimes resemble a monkey. Touching the important questions of life in the most remote and superficial manner, and representing a phase which cannot be seriously treated, these peculiar creatures excite our risibility and cause us to abandon ourselves to the claims of Democritus, the laughing philosopher. Much as the study of these superficial ities may amuse us, they do not, however, and they cannot, reach those strata of evidence from which we must draw our conclusions if we desire to be philosophical and consistent .- Henry C. Pedder, in Manhattan.

#### The Land of Fruit.

In the neighborhood of Sydney such fruits as the peach, nectarine, apricot, plum, fig, grape, cherry and orange are plentiful as blackberries. The orangeries and orchards of New South Wales are among its sights; and in the neighborhood of Sydney and Port Jackson there are beautiful groves of orange trees, which extend in some places down to the water's edge. Individual settlers have groves which yield as many as 30,000 oranges per annum. One may literally "sit under his own vine and fig tree." If a peach stone is thrown down in almost any part of Australia where there is a little moisture, a tree will spring up which in a few years will yield handsomely. A well-known botanist used formerly to carry a small bag of peach-stones to plant in suitable places, and many a wandering settler has blessed him since. Pigs were formerly often fed on peaches, as was done in California, a country much resembling South Australia; it is only of late years they have been utilized in both places by drying and otherwise preserving. A basket-load may be obtained in the Sydney markets during the season for a few pence. The summer heat of Sydney is about that of Naples, while the winter corresponds with that of Sicily.

#### Artificial Oysters in France.

Artificial oysters are now manufactured in large quantities by several oyster factories recently established in the neighborhood of Bordeaux. This new product, the making of which is kept a secret from the uninitiated, imitates the real oyster very perfectly in point of appearance, and the main difficulty of the business, the fixing of the spurious product to the oystershell, upon which it takes the place vacated by its prototype, is said to have recently been got over with perfect success. It is urged that all who eat real oysters should carry away and destroy their shells, thus preventing them from being pressed into the service of this new alimentary fraud. To imitate ovster-shells would be too costly a process, and if all the shells of the favorite bivalve could be kept out of reach of the ovstermaker the lishonest trade would receive its deathblow. But as that is an unattainable result it is to be feared that lovers of systers have an uncomfortable pros-

#### pect before them. - Paris Letter. Evils of the High-Heeled Boot.

The evils of the high-heeled boot shoe are due to the fact that it is an essentially badly-fitting article. It is made in defiance of the relation which it ought to bear to the anatomy of the foot, and to the direction in which the pressure of the body weight falls upon the latter. Hence the peculiarly cramped walk of ladies of the present day. Any one may observe the consequences of the "advanced position," nearly under the instep, and the increased hight of heel, in the substitution of a forward inclination of the body, and a trip suggestive in a measure of the stumbling gait, for the upright carriage and the free and graceful swinging movement natural to the leg in walking. The boot, or shoe, in order that it may not shift on the foot, which has lost much of its usual purchase of direct downward pressure, must hold it firmly and even tightly, and in particular it is necessarily constructed so as to hold with undue firmness just above the back of the heel. With some persons, perhaps, no inconvenience results with others who have fine skins, chafing is readily produced. This is in itself a trifle, but it may nevertheless be the slight beginning of graver troubles. Probably there is no practitioner fairly long acquainted with town practice who cannot recall a case or cases in which extensive inflammation of the leg with abscess formation has followed even such a slight abrasion, and the exciting cause when looked for was discovered in the patient's shoe. There have been even instances, fortunately rare, but still occasional, where abscesses arising round some neglected trifle of this kind have ended fatally. These are facts which cannot be denied, and should not be over

### words of Wisdom.

In art the expenditure of time an fort matters but little: what coun Irony is the bravery of the feeble I the baseness of the strong. Praise increases our value; flatters diminishes it. There would no longer be any thieves if there were no receivers of stolen

goods, and there would be no more

danger in calumny if no one wished to believe in it. Fortune adorns defects as well as qualities; and the dress that she gives them never makes the defects appear great nor the qualities mediocre. An artist resembles a woman. He has the same delicacy, the impulses, the generosities and the passionate devotion, as well as the jealousies, the caprices, the coquetteries, the despot

ism and the ferocious vanity.

The praise of a rival is rarely sincere; a spontaneous movement of anger of consequently more flattering. A couple which attracts attention It often

Those who do not wish to discuss

of their belief to defend it well. Barnum estimates his wealth at \$10,-000,000, but the genius who has devoted | the doctor. forty or fifty years of his life to circus posters and advertisements is perhaps a little given to exaggeration.

### New Use For Electricity.

The Boston Transcript says that an lectro-dynamic company, of Philadelphia, has a machine for the application of electric power to sewing machines, lathes, surgical and dental tools, etc. This is a little dynamo machine, weighing only forty ounces, which is called the double-induction motor. It derives its power from a battery of carbon and zinc element, and is claimed to be the only practical electric motor for the dwelling, laboratory, etc. It is so constructed as to be easily attached to the sewing machine or lathe table, and the cells of the batteries are so arranged that the zinc and carbon plates, when the machine is not running, are lifted out of the cells, and there can therefore be no waste of material when power is not required. There is one great idea about it, and that is that the power can be regulated at the will of the operator. This is brought about by the degree of immersion given the plates. The speed of this motor, varying at the will of the operator from any number to a number of thousands of revolutions a minute, renders it a valuable aid to surgeons for driving the various instruments designed to remove necrosed bone, for rotary lancet, etc. Its operation of an ordinary sewing machine for family work will be only from 25 cents to 40 cents per day, according to the work done or the power required to operate.

#### Smitten by His Size.

Miss Emma Brandt, says a Chicago paper, is a slender maiden whose lips close like the two halves of a muffin. A few days ago Emma paid a visit to Coup's Great Chicago Museum and her eyes fell on the form of the Yorkshire giant. From that moment her heart was lost. She has been a constant visitor at the museum every day since, and she can always be seen moving around in close proximity to the giant, feasting her eyes on his martial uniform and plumed cap. The girl came again yesterday, carrying a bundle wrapped in manilla paper. She informed Manager Coup that it contained her wedding clothes, and she had come prepared to elope with the object of her affection. Mr. Coup assisted her to the platform, and introduced her to the blushing boy of Yorkshire. He stood up, waved his arm over her head and gazed down into her upturned face as one might gaze from a churchsteeple into the street below. Then they conversed a few minutes together.
"Have you made it all up?" asked Mr. Coup, as Emma descended from the platform.

"Yes, I have, and I'm going to marry him," she replied. "His diamond ring will make you a

very pretty bracelet."'
"I think he's awful nice." Another mash made by Mr. Cooper, the Yorkshire giant, was Miss Lucia Zarate, the wonderful midget exhibited at this museum. This little atom of humanity was born in Mexico, Jan. 2, 1863, and weighs four and three-quarter pounds. The little lady is bright and interesting and is inclined to flirt. She at once fell violently in love with the giant, who measures eight feet four

in his stockings. The mite first engaged in a fanfirtation, at which she is as adept as a Spanish senorita, but the Yorkshirenan proved obdurate. Passionate osculation was next resorted to, but the lymphatic mountain did not respond as cordially as desired and the midget angrily turned away, vehemently protesting in voluble Spanish, which she speaks fluently, that he was "no good."

### Skating and sliding should not be

ndulged in without a certain amount of prudence. A swimmer can do but little if the ice gives away, so cold is the water and so blocked is it with broken ice; and all who venture on frozen ponds deep enough to drown a person should see that a rope or adder, or some other possible means of escape, is close at hand. It is very important to know how to teil safe from unsafe ice. It should be clearly understood that there is a great difference between black ice and white ice. Black ice, which follows severe frosts, is the stronger and more durable. It is very elastic, and has the adhesive power as well as the elasticity of indiarubber. It bends like whalebone without giving way, and cracks only under a strain that shows that it is being tried very much beyond its power. It | who can pay the costs. But it was hot is said that this black ice an inch and the jury thirsty, so the verdict thick will bear the weight of a man was "Not Guilty," but the end was without danger of breaking, whereas not yet. While the young New Jerseyordinary ice should be at least an inch | man was congratulating himself on his and a half thick. When white ice bends, look out for a break-up. The him and said: "Sir, do you not know bending is then a sign of softness or | it is customary for the lucky man to rottenness, resulting from a weak frost or gradual thaw. White ice will often were invited to the bar, after which crack when it is perfectly safe for skaters, and it should not be forgotten that almost all ice, unless it is of immense thickness, will crack when a large expanse of water is covered. As a rule, however, the edges of such cracks remain close together. It is the soft, quiet cracking, extending everywhere over the ice, which betokens peril.

#### Trap for Dishonest Postal Clerks. A former Post office mailing clerk picked up a letter from an office table.

The letter bore little upon its outward face that would give any clew to its interior. Said he: "There's money in that letter." There was money in it. The gentleman said that one of the advantages of modern post office business was the increased advantage of transmission of money through the mails. When he was a clerk there was not a clerk in the office who couldn't tell easily upon the first feeling of a letter whether there was money in it or not. He remembered the first decoy letter that came into the post office where he was. It was the first of the Government's sending out. The decoy letter is marked to an impossible direction. It is due at the dead letter office within a stated time. The first that he ever saw bore the direction: "Mr. Harry Quilp, Quilp county, Quilp." There is, of course, no such direction possible. The decoy letter contains money, and will turn up at the dead letter office according to record kept by their senders. Such letters are a part of the machinery of the department, and go floating through the mails with the view to catching the dishonest and unwary. - Lewiston Journal.

Dr. Coleman was once traveling in the wilds of Ohio, and entering a hotel called for dinner. He noticed upon sitting down to the table that there was a glass of whisky beside his plate. On receiving his bill he found the landlord had charged him with the whisky. "But," said the worthy doctor, "I have railroad and you did not get a cent, made no use of it and never do." was there and you could have had it; dent."
you must pay." 'Very well," said the doctor. Some time after the doctor while Mr. Jones lost a leg and an was there again, and before eating he arm, and will never again be able to placed his medicine chest beside his work." their religion seem to avow that they plate. After eating, while paying his bill, be brought in charges for midido not feel themselves sufficiently sure cine. "But," said the host, "I have not had any." "Ah, but you could born lucky."—Philadelphia Call.

both of which confer degrees,

#### Starving a Cold.

Though a life-long sufferer from the disease in various forms, from the "snuffles" of infancy to the "hav-fever" of adult age, together with occasional neuralgia, rheumatism, throat and lung affections, etc., I now find it impossible to excite any of the "well-known symptoms," or, in fact, any form of disease, though subjecting myself to what many would consider the most suicidal practices in the matter of exposure to the elements, so long as I live upon a frugal diet, chiefly cereals and fruit served plainly —nominally two meals a day; holding myself ready, however, to "skip" a meal whenever necessary, i. e., whenever any of the symptoms of indigestion, as acid stomach, flatulence, pressure in the region of the lungs or stomach, etc., warn me of having carried the pleasures of the table a trifle eyond the needs of the organism.

I have, in my efforts to "catch" cold, submitted myself to exposure that to the minds of most people would appear of a suicidal character, wearing low shoes and walking in snow and slop, until both socks and shoes were saturated, sitting an hour in that condition and going to bed without warming my feet; removing flannel undergarments in midwinter on the approach of colder weather, and attending to out-door af-fairs without the overcoat habitually worn; sleeping with a current of air blowing directly on my head and shoulders; sitting entirely naked in a draught, on a very cold, damp night in the fall, for fifteen minutes before getting into bed; wearing cotton night-shirt and sleeping under light bed covers on the night following the use of flannel gown and heavy-weight bed-clothes; rising from bed on a cold, rainy morning, and sitting naked for an hour, writing, and then putting on shirt and trousers only, the shirt most saturated with rain and trousers quite damp, from hanging by the window—these and similar experiments I have tried repeatedly, without catching cold; I become cold,

and become warm again, that is all. In the course of my experiments, whenever I have fed my cold as far as I wished or dared to go, I have, in every instance, banished the disease by entirely abstaining from food for a time; I have never known this remedy (if applied at the very onset) to fail of "breaking up" a common cold in twenty-four to forty-eight hours, whatever the age, sex or occupation of the patient. However we may differ as to the origin of the disorder, whenever I can prevail upon a sufferer to try this, remedy, we come to be of one as to what will most surely and speedily "cure" it.

Of course the size of the "dose" must bear some relation to the severity of the case. On the first appearance of the disease—the symptoms of a slight cold, so familiar to all-skipping a single meal, in the case of a who takes but two meals a day habitually, or two meals, in the case of a hree-mealer, will sometimes suffice, if he succeeding meals be very moderate nentation, been satisfied to "turn" the "one meal buoy," not often being bliged to abstain longer than twentyfour hours. When, however, I have hosen to prolong the experiment by continuing to eat heartily, as is the custom with people in general at such times, I have found my experience identical with theirs; the symptoms would increase in severity, and to nasal catarrh, headache, slight feverishness and languor would be added ore throat, perhaps with pressure at the lungs, hoarseness, increased fever, and entire indisposition for exertion In this case two, perhaps three days' fasting would be required, with a little extra sponging of the skin, to comletely restore the balance. Out-door air is desirable, and-when not demanding too great exertion-exercise. dir-baths, when there is much fever-ishness of the skin, are comfortable and curative .- Dr. W. C. Page in Pop-

#### dar Science Monthly. A Florida Jury.

The average citizen of Maine might, I think, learn some things from the poor of Florida. For instance, an acquaintance of mine was recently prosecuted for stealing a pig from a darkey, and brought before a trial justice and twelve sage men, white and colored. Now, the prevailing custom is said to good luck, the Marshal stepped up to ceremony I never saw a set of twelve wise men look more satisfied with a verdict just rendered by them than these did. This all came under my personal observation, and I confess it showed me a new phase of the law, and I doubt not that in time, if our prohibitory law could only be successfully removed, we might have similar justice in our petty courts in good old Maine.

—Portland (Me.) Press.

### Roast Beef.

Every waiter in Continental Europe nows at least the meaning of two English words, but in the pronunciation of which each has adopted a different method. It never would be imagined that there were so many ways to say roast beef. At any rate, whenever you approach a waiter on the subject of hat you want for lunch, his entire English vocabulary is fired at you. He is convinced that because you use the English tongue, you must subsist solely on that standard national dish; and, as you cannot command his language to convince him to the contrary, you resign yourself to your fate and allow him to bring it in. Thus the evil perpetuates itself by a circle of conclusions. The uselessness of a contest becomes soon apparent, and the virtue consists in entire resignation, with only one consolation to be reserved. Do not allow him the pleasure of thinking his suggestion has set at rest a mind struggling with doubt, but as soon his waitership appears anticipate the onslaught by shouting "Rosbif." With the wind taken out of his sails he looks the picture of misery, but contact will sood bring your heart to that degree of hardness that such exhibitions do not have any appreciable effect .- Cor. St. Louis Republican.

### A Lucky Woman.

She-"Oh dear! Just as I expected. That stuck-up Mrs. Jones' husband has got \$30,000 damages out of the "It although you were in the same acci-

'Very well," said the He-"But I was not hurt at all.

King Louis of Bavaria does not grow

have had it; it was on the table," said New Zealand has two universities less eccentric with age. His latest kink is a dislike to be mentioned by the newspapers, even in a friendly way.